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This message is from Randall Soileau. [REDACTED]

I want to support historic landmark designation for 701 Sparks Avenue in the Eastwoods Neighborhood. I have been the applicant representative for 4 properties in Hyde Park, Hancock, and Eastwoods Neighborhoods that have been declared Austin Historic Landmarks.

As a member of the neighborhood I have long admired the historic Mediterranean architectural style of this property and how it contributes greatly to the historic fabric of our area by connecting historic properties on Sparks Av, Harris Park, and Bellevue Place. The crenellated roof line of the structure stands out in the neighborhood as a great example of the architecture of the late 1930s, adding a diversity of historic style to the neighborhood's character.

Unfortunately I have not been able to dive deeper into the resident history of 701 Sparks. I presume your office will explore the historical associations of former residents. Regardless, the unique architectural style of this property contributes greatly to the fabric of our neighborhood and deserves due diligence.

I hope to speak for this historic designation of this property at the October meeting and would appreciate any updates. Thank you.